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#### **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the action dated August 28, 2003, finally rejecting claims 1-6 and 25-36. Applicants prepared and filed a response to the office action dated August 28, 2003 on January 27, 2004 (copy attached). However, to date no action has been received from the Patent Office in response thereto.

A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to extend the time to respond to the final rejection for a third month to and including March 1, 2004 (February 29, 2004 was a Sunday) is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$330 for the appeal fee is enclosed. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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